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JOINT STATE DEFENSE MESSAGE

1. DEPT AND DOD REVIEWING REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL SECURITY PERSONNEL BUT WOULD APPRECIATE FURTHER COMMENT AND ASSESSMENT IN LIGHT OF FOLLOWING:

A. WE CONTINUE PREFER RELY ON IEG FORCES TO MAINTAIN EXTERNAL SECURITY AND AVOID UNNECESSARY EXPOSURE US PERSONNEL TO RISKS OF POSSIBLE FIRE-FIGHT WITH ELF. HAS IEG BEEN APPROACHED ON INCREASED SECURITY NEEDS AND WHAT ADDITIONAL FORCES REQUIRED? CONFIDENTIAL

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- B. IS QUICK-REACTION FORCE CONCEPT, USING OFF-DUTY US PERSONNEL STILL PART OF SECURITY PLAN?
- C. DID ASSESSMENT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT:
- (1) CLOSURE TRACTS F AND H, ABOUT 1 DEC AND POSSIBLE TRACT A BY END OF DEC 73, THEREBY REDUCING OVERALL REQUIREMENT FOR SECURITY PERSONNEL AT OUTLYING SITES?
- (2) TOTAL OF THIRTY-THREE USN PERSONNAL PERMANENTLY ASSIGNED SECURITY DUTY?
- (3) UTILIZATION OF ON-SITE USN PERSONNEL NOW ASSIGNED TO ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR EARLY DEACTIVATION? TWENTY USN PERSONNEL HAVE ALREADY BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO THE CO NAVCOMMSTA UPON DEACTIVATION OF SPECOM AND SHIPMENT OF EQUIPMENT AND COULD BE USED FOR SECURITY PURPOSES.
- (4) NUMBER OF ARMY MP'S REMAINING THROUGH DEC 1973?
- (5) DESIRABILITY OF HIRING MORE LOCAL NATIONALS TO AUGMENT SECURITY PERSONNEL ALREADY ON BOARD?
- 2. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ASSESSMENT, INCLUDING IDENTIFICATION OF WHAT SECURITY POSTS WOULD BE MANNED BY ANY ADDITIONAL (MILITARY AND/OR LOCAL NATIONALS) PERSONNEL PROVIDED AND BY STATION FORCES. KISSINGER

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